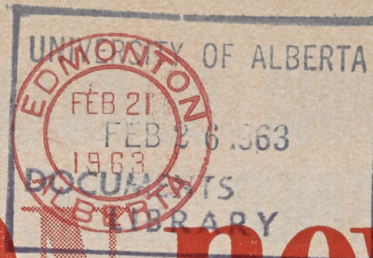


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COMMITTEE WILL STUDY PROVINCIAL PHYSICAL FITNESS AND AMATEUR SPORTS



Members of the Fitness and Amateur Sports Survey and Study Committee are, left to right: Jack W. Riddel, secretary, Mrs. Isobel Seaman, Miss Audrey Carson, Chairman A. V. Pettigrew, David Critchley, Dr. Don Smith, and Lioniel Fournier, research advisor.

ALBERTA RECREATION
ASSOCIATION

MARCH 22-24

SPRING CONFERENCE

Banff School of Fine Arts

ALBERTACRAFT '63

June 19 — 26, 1963

Calgary Jubilee Auditorium

The Recreational and Cultural Development Branch of the Department of the Provincial Secretary has announced the establishment of a Fitness and Amateur Sports Survey and Study Committee, which will carry out a program of study and analysis of present physical fitness and amateur sport endeavors in the province, with the specific purpose of making recommendations for immediate and long range developments for Alberta. This program is a part of the National Fitness and Amateur Sports Program introduced last year by the federal government.

The study will be four-fold in its aspects, under the main topics of facilities, finance, personnel, and programming. The committee will solicit written submissions from communities and associations on these subjects and any other pertinent points.

During the months of February, March, April and May a series of communities will be selected for visitation by the committee for the purpose of obtaining first hand knowledge of that community's activities. A full report on the study program will be issued later this year.

Chairman of the committee is A. V. Pettigrew of Edmonton and Lioniel Fournier, of the University of Alberta, will serve as research advisor. Other members, all of Edmonton, are Mrs. Isobel Seaman, Miss Audrey Carson, David Critchley, Dr. Don Smith, and Jack W. Riddel, secretary. Further information may be obtained by writing to the Secretary, Fitness and Amateur Athletic Study Committee, 424 Legislative Building, Edmonton, Alberta.

CAMPING SEMINAR AT BANFF COMBINED WORK, STUDY AND PLAY TO BENEFIT OF ALL

One hundred and eleven campers from most Canadian provinces met at the Banff School of Fine Arts from January 23 to 26. This is normally the Alberta Camp Directors' Seminar, however an invitation was accepted across Canada to attend the Seminar. At the same time, the Canadian Camping Association held their annual meeting in Banff, at which a new slate of officers was elected. This is a complete Alberta slate—and the first time an executive has been elected in Western Canada.

President: Dr. Don Smith, Edmonton.

Vice President: Mr. Jack Way, Calgary.

Secretary: Miss Elinor Logan, Edmonton.

Treasurer: Rev. Don Miln, Calgary.

Executive Secretary: Mrs. Jean Boettger, Calgary.

The campers from Alberta also met and named their new executive to guide the Alberta Camping Association through 1963. History again was made as for the first time a woman was named president.

President: Mrs. Elinor Albrecht, Edmonton.

Vice President: Mr. Edward Johnson, Calgary.

Secretary: Mr. Art Burrows, Edmonton.

Treasurer: Miss Ruth Constable, Calgary.

The seminar sessions could be considered some of the best. This was largely due to Mr. and Mrs. Lorne and May Brown, key resource persons.

The annual banquet held on Thursday evening was also one of the highlights of the conference. Mr. Walter Kaasa, Director, Recreation and Cultural Development Branch of the Government of Alberta was the guest speaker. Mr. Kaasa gave a very challenging address, directed at leadership in recreation programs, of which camping is one, with the emphasis on understanding the individual in the leadership situation, and the development of leadership techniques.

The seminar was not all work. The Upper Hot Springs provided an opportunity to either swim or throw snowballs at the swimmers. A bus tour also

provided those especially from out of the province to see some of the beauties of our mountain scenery. Reports have it that between Mrs. Albrecht's sing-song and the drivers' comments, coupled with the tour stops at Hot Springs, Museum, and Chair Lift, a very interesting and educational time was spent.

Prior to the seminar, someone mentioned something about providing a western atmosphere for the benefit of our eastern visitors. Square dancing, western knick-knacks, trading posts, were some of the suggestions. All worries ended when Rufus and Howard Goodstriker, Blood Indians from Cardston, swung into action on Friday evening. Not only did we see the Chicken Dance performed, but we had an opportunity to learn how it is done.

The next memorable event—one to be remembered—will be the Senior Camp Councillors Course. Campers and executives alike should be making plans to attend this course to be held at Pine Lake Salvation Army Camp on May 17 to 20.

Edmonton Group To Premiere Two New Ballets

The Edmonton Ballet Company, the only Canadian ballet company west of Winnipeg, will present its annual performance in the Northern Alberta Jubilee Auditorium in Edmonton on March 9. The program ranges from classic to jazz ballet, with two new ballets scheduled to receive their premiere performance.

The company's artistic director, Ruth Carse, will present her new ballet, "School of the Dance", inspired by the Degas painting. Also to make its premiere is "Time and Space", a jazz ballet choreographed by Bryan Toews. Mr. Toews, who studied modern jazz in New York on a Canada Council scholarship, has extensive television and stage experience, and is making his first attempt at choreography for this show.

WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL CLUB ASKS FOR HELP

The Handy Caddies Wheelchair Basketball Club is a group of people who have gotten together and formed a team of all handicapped people who are interested in playing the game of basketball in wheelchairs. We have Edward Marchak as head coach and Clark Rex as assistant coach. These two men give their time every Thursday evening to coaching the team. Our practices and games are held at the Alberta College every week. The Alberta College has given us the gym free of charge and has given us any help and co-operation in making this a successful sport. The opposition comes from the various teams in the city who play in organized leagues. Our opposition, of course, are not handicapped and therefore we must supply them with the wheelchairs, which is a real problem. We have been borrowing the chairs from the Edmonton Rehabilitation Centre but are never sure of the required number which makes an uncertainty in the scheduling of the games. This team is comprised of both young men and women. We do not have any source of income and therefore are rather financially embarrassed. The Lions Club of Edmonton have given their consent to the using of the Callow Coach on the last Friday in March to go to Saskatoon to compete against their Wheelchair Basketball Club. If we can obtain some help financially, there will be nothing to stop us. Anyone interested in further information may write "Elaine Eli" at 9749-101st Street, Edmonton, or call GA 4-3523 in the evening and CA 9-3778 during the day.

CONGRATULATIONS

... To EDWARD DIAHANCHUK, 4th year ceramic student at the Alberta College of Art, Calgary, who has won an award in the 1963 Canadian Ceramic Show, for the best group entry.

... To WALTER DROHAN, ceramic instructor at the Alberta College of Art, who won an award for the best stoneware entry at a recent exhibition.

BASIC DESIGN COURSES OFFERED

The Arts and Crafts Division would like to announce that because of a number of cancellations, it is now able to offer two or three Basic Design courses during the months of February, March and April, 1963. These courses are available to craft centres, guilds, organizations, etc., interested in furthering the arts and crafts in their community.

Basic Design involves the mechanics of drawing up designs and compositions suitable for almost any craft. Originality is stressed and the course begins by offering the very basics by which the student can arrive at his or her own design and then judge it as suitable both as an artistic composition and in relation to the particular craft, technically. For anyone participating in ceramics, weaving, leather, copper, batik, painting, etc., the course is of immediate and direct benefit.

Any organization, etc., requesting the

course must assure the Arts and Crafts Division that:

(a) A suitable location will be provided.

(b) There will be a minimum registration of ten people—maximum twelve.

(c) A minimum of three communities will be represented at the course.

The cost of this course is \$10.00 per person. This fee is to accompany completed individual application forms, which are sent to the organization after receipt of their course request. The course is thirty-five hours in length (7 hours per day for 5 days).

Course request forms can be obtained by writing to the.

Arts and Crafts Division,
Recreation and Cultural
Development Branch,
Room 424, Legislative Building,
Edmonton, Alberta.

The deadline for our receipt of course request forms is March 1, 1963.

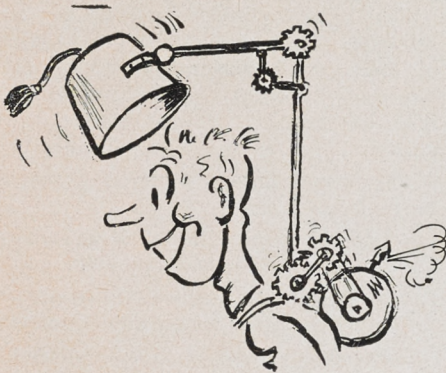
Dates to Remember

- Provincial Athletic Association Workshop, March 8-9, Banff.
- Municipal Recreation Board Workshop, March 22-24, Banff.
- Alberta Recreation Association, March 22-24, Banff.
- Senior Camp Counsellors' Course, May 16-20, Pine Lake.
- Girls' Physical Education Workshop, May 9-11, U. of A.
- Playground Course, June 22-28, Pine Lake.
- Recreation Leadership School, July 7-August 4, Camrose.

LIBRARY LOAN LISTS

Write us for a copy of our library books and pamphlets—something from A to Z available on a two week loan basis (subject to previous bookings).

FLIP OF THE FEZ TO...



Stettler The recreation board, local band executive and school board for their co-operative effort with Mr. W. Coates in developing an instrumental group.

Athabasca in completing their community recreation survey.

Waskatenau in opening their new community centre.

Devon on hosting a Northern Alberta Ski Meet.

WANTED

SECOND-HAND E FLAT
BARITONE SAXOPHONE

Contact Mr. L. McLeod, Wainwright

DRAMA WORKSHOPS



Drama Workshops are being held up and down the Province this month. With courses being given in all aspects of theatre from stagecraft to make-up, speech, acting, and directing.

Sponsored by the Drama Division, courses in acting, make-up and directing will be given in Cold Lake the weekend of February 22, and in speech, acting and make-up will be given in Jasper the

weekend of March 1.

Workshops at Grande Prairie, Lethbridge, and Delia were held earlier in the year. Top qualified staff for these workshops is drawn from the University and professionally-trained people in the community.

The picture above was taken from a workshop on stage construction and stage design.

WORKSHOP STEERING COMMITTEE WILL STUDY DUPLICATION IN ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

The Athletics and Outdoor Education Division, Recreation and Cultural Development Branch, has under study a long range program proposal, which, if developed, would assist in co-ordinating the efforts of so many provincial athletic organizations. It seems paramount that something needs to be done in view of the increasing overlap and duplication, especially in the area of training.

To assist the Branch in carrying out this study, a "Workshop Steering Committee" has been selected, consisting of Mr. Al Affleck, chairman; Mrs. Pat Weliver, Mr. Bob Lucas, Mr. Arnold Holmes and Mr. Syd. Moore, Acting Supervisor, Athletics and Outdoor Education.

It is the hope of the committee that they will be able to make contact with one key person in all Amateur Athletic and Outdoor Education Organizations in

Alberta. These organizations will be selected as being provincial in scope. Key persons will be considered for the purpose of this workshop as "consultants".

Three letters are being forwarded to each organization allowing the consultant to keep the organization abreast of developments.

The Workshop will be held at the Banff School of Fine Arts on March 8, 9, and 10. Enthusiasm is building rapidly. We hope that your association realizes the importance of what may be in the offing, and the vital role that it will play in the development of Athletics and Outdoor Education in the Province in the next decade.

If you or your association require any further information, contact S. Moore, 424 Legislative Building, Edmonton.

YOU SHOULD BE CONSIDERING THE FOLLOWING FOR THE FITNESS SURVEY INTERVIEW

1. Is there a present lack of adequate physical fitness opportunity for participants in your communities?
2. Who leads your activities?
3. Where should the emphasis be placed at the local, provincial and federal level?
4. As a Recreation Board, where are you presently weak and why?
5. What of the school physical education picture?

Recreation Board Workshop Highlights March 22 - 24

March 22-24 — Banff School of Fine Arts, sponsored by the Recreation and Cultural Development Board. Theme: "Fitness, Let's Discuss It".

Features:

- Gordon Wright, Ottawa, Guest Speaker.
- Provincial Fitness Survey Team interview.
- Spectacular demonstration of physical fitness by Carsten Carlsen (Dominion and international gymnast) and his troupe.
- 7:30 a.m. daily "Keep Fit" exercises (for those up to it).
- Special speakers:
 - "Rural and Urban Program"—Mr. Ted Van Biezen, Three Hills.
 - "Calgary's School-Community Centres"—Mr. Jack Worsfold, Calgary.
 - "Facility Upkeep and Operation Today"—Mr. Brian Andrews, Edmonton.

PROGRAM AIDS

If you are planning a talk on career days, drop us a line for an excellent series "Values in Education"—no charge. Also a 45 minute color film "Careers in Recreation".

The following films are available on loan from our sports film section:

Hockey

- Goal Tending
- Skating
- Defensive Team Play
- Shooting
- Offensive Team Play
- Stick Handling

Football

- The Passer
- The Kicking Game
- The Running Back
- Tackling
- Interior Line Play

Basketball

- Individual Skills
- Individual Offence
- Team Offence
- Fast Break
- Defence

(All dates subject to previous bookings.)

SECOND ANNUAL GIRLS' LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP AT U. OF A.

A High School Girls' Leadership Workshop under the auspices of the Cultural Activities Branch, Department of Provincial Secretary, the Alberta Schools Athletic Association and the University of Alberta, and with the approval of the Department of Education, will be conducted Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 9, 10 and 11, 1963 at the Physical Education Building, University of Alberta, Edmonton. All candidates must stay at the University Residences.

One female candidate may attend from each school division or school district not in a school division or one girl from each city high school with the following qualifications:

- (a) Presently a Grade XI student
- (b) Registered in the matriculation program
- (c) Above average academic standing
- (d) Ability and participation in intramural and interschool activities
- (e) Experience in student organizations.

The Superintendent will make the selection of the candidate on the advice of the school principals and women physical education teachers in his district or division. Proper selection of candidates is of prime importance.

The School District or Division would be responsible for:

- (a) Cost of transportation of candidate to and from the University.
- (b) A registration fee of \$18.00 covering the cost of room and board.
- (c) Possible assistance to women physical education instructors attending this weekend.

Objectives

To provide experience which will help the students develop and improve their organizing ability, leadership skills, athletic skills, sense of responsibility, cooperation and confidence, and teaching potential.

To provide some assistance to physical educators throughout the province in the form of student leaders in: Conducting skill training in physical education classes; organizing and officiating in the intramural program and club activities; leadership in the interscholastic program.

To provide information for prospective teachers and to encourage these students to attend the University and return to their own community to assist with community and/or skill programs.